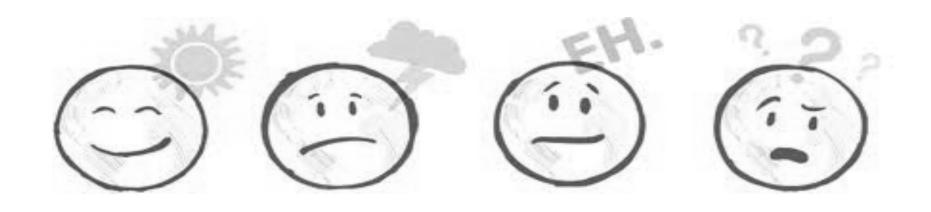
# Learning Guide for "Creating a Culture of High Expectations" Leading Change: June 25 Session: 3:00 – 4:30pm



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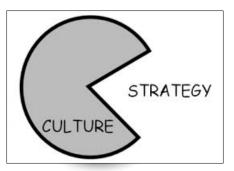
### Today's Sessions:

#### **Creating a Culture of Adult Learners**

- ✓ A "Culture of Learning" Defined & Described
- ✓ Essential Beliefs about Adult Learning (and implications)
- ✓ Motivation and Teacher Efficacy
- ✓ 5 Leadership Steps to Start Now

#### **Creating a Culture of High Expectations**

- ✓ A "Culture of High Expectations" Define, Described, Impact
- ✓ The Growth Mindset as a starting point
- ✓ Principles of Learning to practice the "If....Then..." muscle
- ✓ 5 Leadership Steps to Start Now



### Strategy + Structure + Culture



Concept taken from the book, "Taking People With You: The Only Way to Make Big Things Happen" by David Novak, (2012)

# What does it mean when the school culture is a place of "high expectations..."

- ✓ accelerated rigor in the curriculum?
- ✓ extreme pressure on the staff?
- ✓ student displays of stress?
- ✓ a focus on achievement & winning is
- ✓ lots of pep talks?
- ✓ sorting out only "those who can?"

### What is the difference between "high standards" and "high expectations?"

High Standards High Expectations

Where in the ACCS do we specifically see high standards?



### Predict...

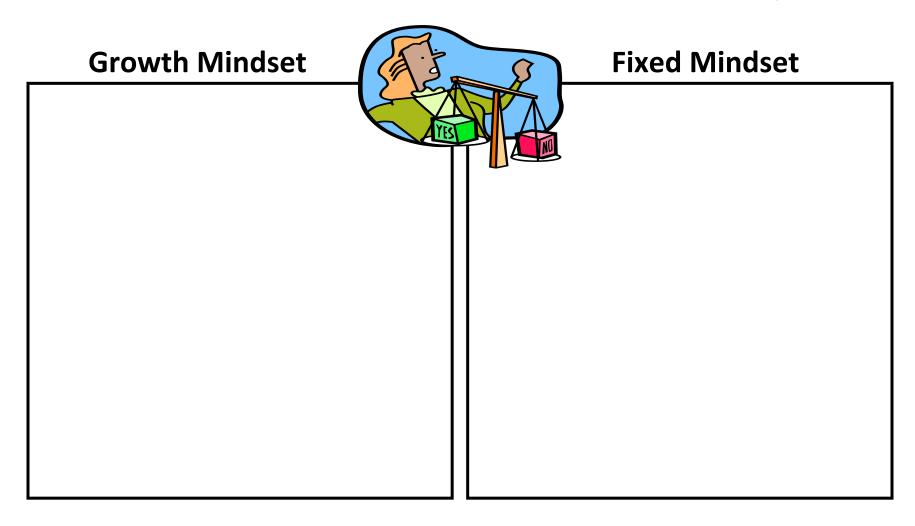
If ADULTS have high expectations for themselves, what might be the impact on students and their learning?

# Identifying the "Growth Mindset" vs. the "Fixed Mindset"



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# Close Reading and Structured Discussion: "Growth Mindset" article: List Descriptors

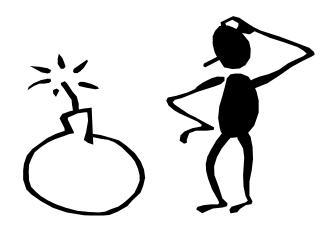


Taken from the work of Carol Dweck on "Mindsets"

# Working people through their mindset requires some self-awareness...

1. Start with thinking....(less obvious sometimes)

2. Then move to behaviors (more obvious) that are based on values, beliefs, meanings assigned.



### Mental Models: How we "see" the world

We see and believe what we are conditioned to by our context and personal history.



But how we choose to think about our experiences, is a CHOICE.

### My Favorite "NO"

https://www.teachingchannel.org/videos/class-warm-up-routine

### Developmental Model of Adult Learning called "Levels of Mental Complexity"

Mental Complexity	Description	Might Look Like
Socializing Mind	A person who faithfully follows leadership, a good team player	A person sees flaws with the plan but goes along with to be harmonious.
Self-Authoring Mind	A person who authors and holds steadfast to a view, a problem-solver	A person argues his data interpretation and listens only to defend his ideas.
Self-Transforming Mind	A person who can critically examine his own view and "re-author" a more comprehensive view	A person can see that past decisions did not yield desired results and can elicit feedback and transforms his approach.

Taken from: Immunity to Change: How to Overcome It and Unlock the Potential in Yourself and Your Organization. (Kegan & Lahey, 2009)

### To help a person take "learning risks"... a leader may have to uncover competing beliefs.

Effort produces achievement. - OR -

Effort is something required of those less capable.

Successful learning does not involve failing. - OR -

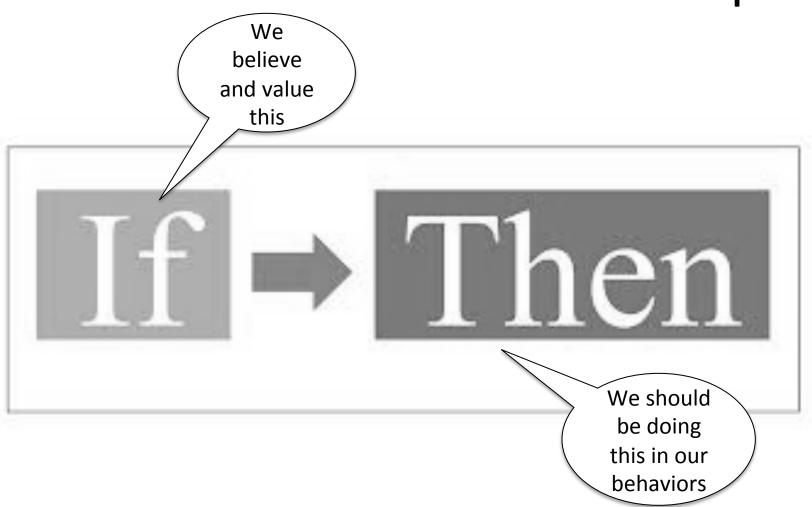
Risk-taking and failing are a part of successful learning.

I should only do things I am good at. -OR-

I should try new things to learn and grow.

Resistance means someone is unwilling or incapable. – OR-????????

### The "If....then...." relationship



## "Principles of Learning & Their Implications" by Peter Hill (NISL)

#### **5 Principles of Learning**

- 1. Effort produces achievement
- 2. Learning is about making connections
- 3. We learn with and through others
- 4. Learning takes time
- 5. Motivation matters

#### **5 Principles of Teaching**

- 6. The teacher matters
- 7. Focused teaching produces accelerated learning
- 8. Clear expectations and continuous feedback activate learning
- 9. Good teaching builds on strengths and respects individual differences
- 10. Good teaching involves modeling what students should learn

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### Action Steps

- ✓ Look for and listen to *uncover mindsets* and practices that support learning and growth.
- ✓ Stay focused on <u>collective</u> results. Keep data in front of people and don't confuse activity with progress.
- ✓ Create *short term wins* to help "rewire" the past experience and begin to build new capacity
- ✓ Combine *high expectations with support* that's scaffolded to achieve results
- ✓ Tie expectations to the vision's values:
  this is what matters most to the work we do.

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